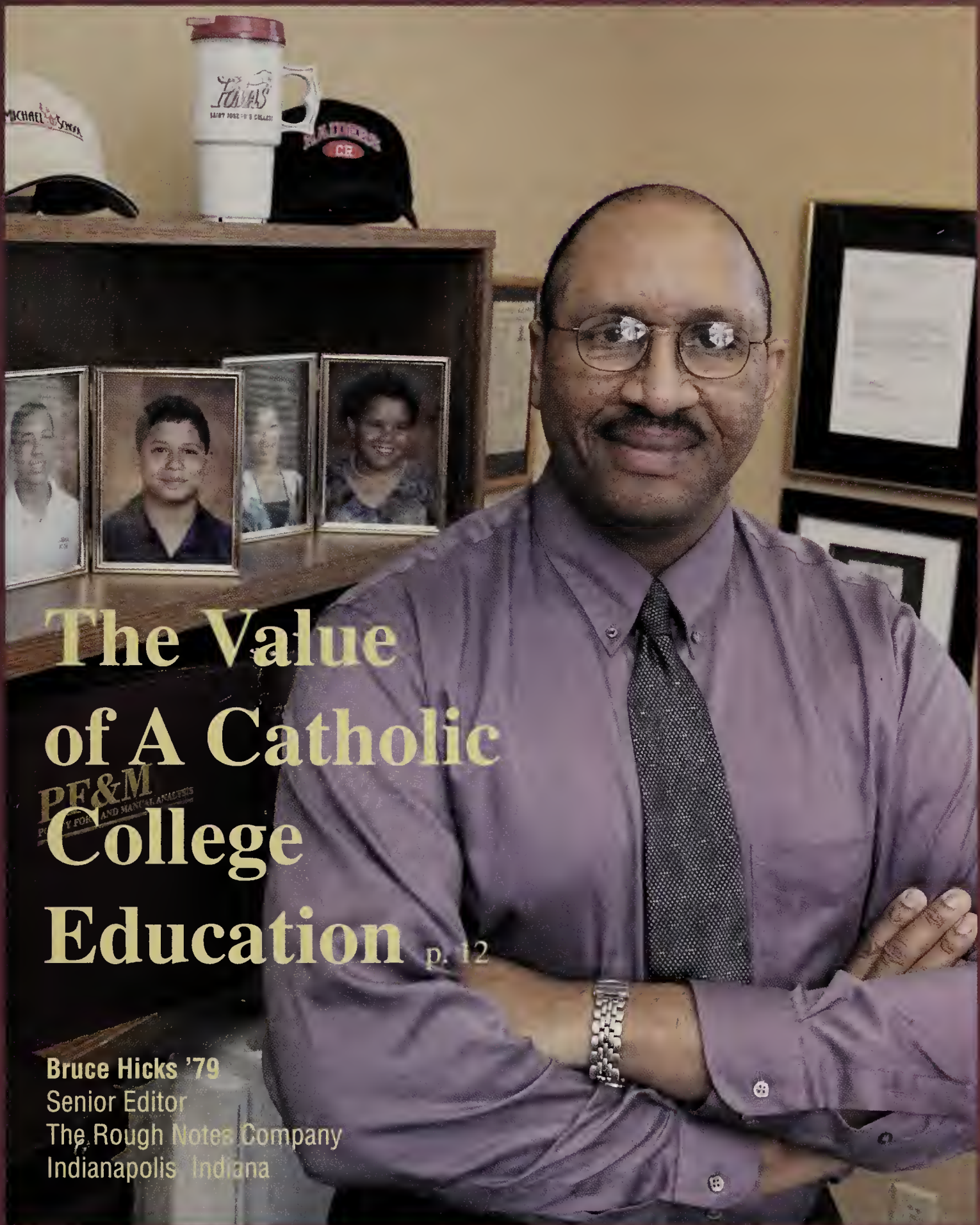


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The Advantage of a Catholic Education:

Priceless



From the Alumni Association Board President

On May 11th of last year, I had the privilege of attending the College's 108th Commencement Ceremony. I say privilege because I was able to meet Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J., who visited Saint Joseph's campus to deliver the Commencement address to the graduates.

In his address, Cardinal Dulles minced no words. He spoke to what seems to ail today's society when he noted, "To be self-centered is to diminish ourselves and stunt our growth, but to be God-centered will enable us to rise to our full human dignity."

I'd like to think that Cardinal Dulles' words were taken to heart by more than a few of the graduates and those assembled in the Fieldhouse that day, for what he espoused was the essence of what a Catholic education can and should be for those who receive it.

In these times of the never-ending "me-first" syndrome, Saint Joseph's College, as a Catholic, liberal arts institution, continues to hold fast to a tradition of instilling in students a desire to leave self-centeredness behind, to recognize their self-worth as a creation of God and the responsibilities that entails.

As I listened to the Cardinal's words, I thought about how fortunate I was to have parents who sacrificed in order to allow me to attend Saint Joseph's College; how little I knew then of what the world would demand; how much peer and societal pressure would tempt me to subscribe to the "go-along-get-along" life that was and is so very prevalent in our world.

Without one moment of doubt, I believe my education from Saint Joseph's has served me very well. It has taught me that living a life that recognizes the importance and presence of God in each of us will allow us to at least grasp for the "full human dignity" that the Cardinal raised in his address. These reflections weren't selling points that my wife and I used when our sons Stephen and John were teenagers considering their college choices. But just the same, I truly believe that our efforts to raise our children in a loving Catholic home may just have sparked their interest and comfort-level enough to attend and graduate from SJC. They, along with an untold number of current students and alumni, have a decided advantage in realizing their full human dignity. In my eyes, that advantage is priceless. Your help ensures that Saint Joseph's is here for you to take pride in for many years to come. As you finish reading this letter, please pause for a moment, recall one faculty member from your college experience, and offer a prayer of thanks for the fact that they touched your life. Your thoughts and prayers will, more than anything else, give witness to SJC's mission.

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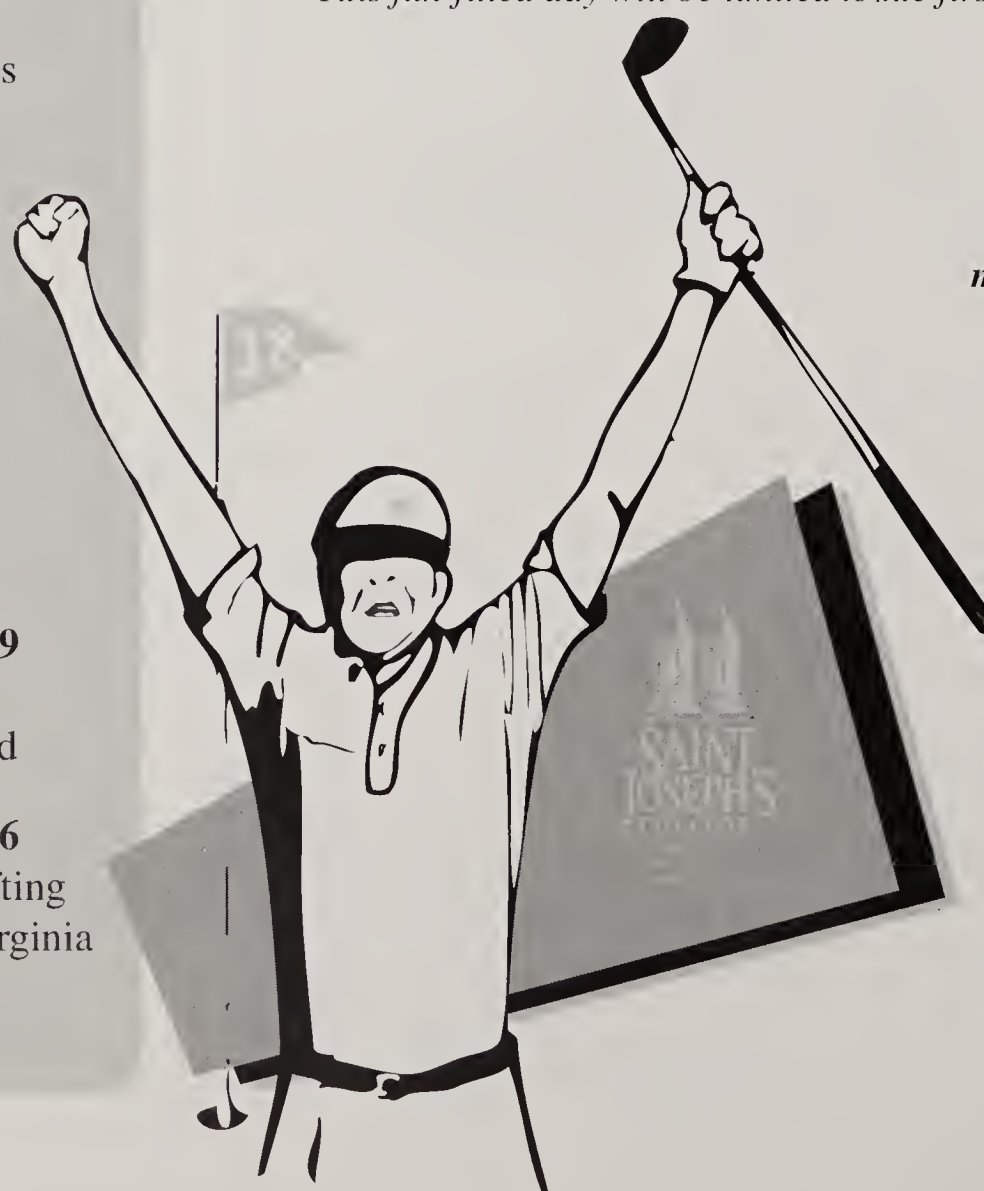
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Alumni Participate in Second Annual Networking Receptions in Indianapolis and Chicago

For the second consecutive year, two networking gatherings were organized for SJC's Business Administration students searching for jobs and internships, providing them a chance to network with SJC alumni in the fields of business, science, and government. **The Downey Family** hosted the reception held at The Columbia Club on November 12th, while **Steve Ligda '62** welcomed students and Chicago-area alumni to The Union League Club on January 28th. Both events were coordinated by the Business Administration Department, Office of Institutional Advancement and Marketing, and the Career Development Center.

Established in 2002, student attendance is by invitation only. In order to be considered, those interested must possess a grade point average of 3.0 or higher, submit their resume for review by the Business Administration Faculty, and successfully pass

an interview conducted by those faculty.

According to **Teresa (Scanlon) Massoels '89**, Associate Professor of Marketing and Management at SJC, the reception benefits alumni and faculty as well as the students. "The alumni have been great. Some of them make business connections at the meeting, and others become mentors for our current students," she explained. "Some of the faculty have been successful getting 'real world' data and projects for their classrooms. Students have been offered the chance to 'job shadow' some of our alumni, and they've received contact information regarding internships and employment."

To participate in next year's receptions, or to find out how to bring one to your area, contact **Kendra (Berenda) Illingworth** at 800-227-1898.



Alumni at The Union League Club in Chicago



Alumni at The Columbia Club in Indianapolis

Washington, D.C.

Midwest alumni aren't the only ones who know how to socialize; a reception was held on February 4th at **Tom '65** and Melinda **Mooney's** Murphy's Grand Irish Pub in Alexandria, Virginia, for Washington, D.C.-area alumni and their families. With ink pens poised and ready, Pumas endorsed several applications to deliver to area high schools in order to help recruit students from the Capitol Area. Guests also visited with President and Mrs. Mills, who talked about SJC's success with the Lilly Initiative (see pages 15 and 16).

"The figures from the Lilly Initiative were staggering across the board," said **Ben Waldron '98**, one of the reception's attendants. "The employees' dedication to the mission has always been a hallmark of SJC, but to raise as much money as they did really highlights their commitment to the College."

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PUMA SPOTLIGHT:

Bob Cassey '69



The legal field is one of the most saturated in the United States, while professions revolving around the spiritual “call to service” are among the most understaffed. However, the coupling of these career paths doesn’t faze **Bob Cassey '69**, both a deacon at St. Petronille’s Church in Glen Ellyn, Illinois, and an attorney for global consulting giant Accenture in Chicago.

Cassey first stepped onto SJC’s campus in 1964 as one of the C.P.P.S. seminarians, residing with other “mongies” in Xavier Hall. However, in his senior year, with the prospect of graduate studies in Theology fast approaching, Cassey had begun to reconsider his aspirations for priesthood. “So many things were turned on end both in American society and in the Catholic Church. As a nation, we were reeling from the reality and implications of Vietnam, the hippie generation, and the wholesale rejection of tradition. The Church and the Catholic subculture in the U.S. were trying to assimilate the sea-change of Vatican II. I grew increasingly restless,” he explained. “I just couldn’t summon up the enthusiasm to even think about the next steps toward ordination.” After a series of heart-to-heart talks with the late Rev. John Klopke, C.P.P.S., his Spiritual Director who encouraged him to “trust his gut,” he finished college and returned home to Detroit, Michigan, where he began teaching French at the University of Detroit High School.

For the next 15 years, Cassey focused almost entirely on his family and career. He met and married his wife, Peggy, and together they had three children. He received a master’s degree in French from McGill University in Montreal, and later graduated from the University of Michigan Law School. He started his legal career clerking for a federal trial judge in Detroit. His focus eventually shifted to information-technology law, leading him to work with General Motors and Electronic Data in Detroit and then for Accenture in Chicago.

It was in 1982 that his older brother, Dan, encouraged him to attend a Cursillo (pronounced Kur-SEE-o) retreat, a three-day weekend intended to help Christians take personal ownership of their faith. “At that point in my life, my faith was very ‘churchy.’ I was more interested in the structural part of church membership and less focused on my relationship with Jesus Christ,” Cassey said. “Sometimes you pay too much attention to the finger and not what the finger’s pointing to.”

Cassey and his wife found themselves heavily involved with their parish and the Cursillo movement throughout the next several years, and it was on a Cursillo weekend in 1995 that Cassey felt called to the diaconate. He was ordained on September 8, 2001, and preached his first homily the following Sunday at St. Petronille’s, while the nation was still reeling from the September 11th terrorists attacks.

As a deacon, Cassey is part of the pastoral staff of St. Petronille’s. In addition to assisting at the altar and preach-

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ing one Sunday a month, he baptizes infants, officiates at weddings and funerals, and is actively engaged in youth ministry and the sacramental preparation of new parents, engaged couples, RCIA catechumens and candidates, and confirmation candidates. He also started and actively leads a “Re-Membering” ministry that helps alienated Catholics come to grips with their issues with the Church. At the diocesan level, he remains active with the Cursillo movement, and is currently a Spiritual Director.

Today, Cassey is still restless, but given the shape his life has taken, he’s more at ease with his restlessness. “If you want to hear divine laughter, just tell God the plans you’ve made for yourself,” he said. “God had something else in store for me, and it’s that direction that led me to where I am now and where I’ll be 10 years from now. Eventually, I know God will lead me home.”

Criminal Justice Students Receive Sample of Life at Indiana State Prison

You don't have to be a prisoner to get a taste of prison life. Students in Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice and Sociology Paul Magro's Introduction to Criminal Justice classes learned this lesson firsthand during the first week of December, as they participated in half-day tours of the Indiana State Prison in Michigan City, the largest maximum-security correctional facility in the state.

The first part of the tour involved a pat-down search for each student. They were then given a tour of the grounds and information about policies and regulations mandated by the prison, which holds almost 2,000 inmates ranging in age from 14 to 80. The tour ended with a special talk prepared by one of the facility's inmates, John,* who is currently serving a life sentence plus 180 years without the possibility of parole for a multiple homicide.

Magro, who's been taking students on such tours for the last several years, believes such trips are crucial to students' success after graduation. "One of the objectives we strive for in our Criminal Justice program is to prepare students to make objective decisions regarding criminal justice issues on their own before they go out into the world," he said. "The next time these students are in conversations about how long or how short a prison sentence should be, they now have a point of reference on which to base their decisions."

* Name has been changed.



SJC students, faculty, staff, and Rensselaer community members showed their support for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by participating in a march down Washington Street and U.S. 231 on January 19th.

Saint Joseph's College Celebrates Diversity on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

On January 19th, while many institutions and businesses halted operations for the day, students, faculty, and staff at Saint Joseph's College fastened on their walking shoes in order to honor the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., participating in a march from the Jasper County Courthouse to the Rev. Charles Banet, C.P.P.S. Core Education Center. After the march, a program featuring speakers and gospel music was held in the Core Education Center's Shen Auditorium.

Those on hand to share thoughts and prayers for the day included Rensselaer Mayor Herbert Arihood, SJC President Ernest Mills III, **Rev. Timothy McFarland, C.P.P.S. '78**, **Bro. Tim Hemm, C.P.P.S. '70**, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice and Sociology Frederick V. Greene, and SJC Diversity Coalition members Tara Torres and Allison Good. Arihood proclaimed the day

Martin Luther King, Jr. Awareness Day, and music was provided by Brighter Day, a gospel choir from Marion, Indiana, and SJC students Nikita Hall and Jerome Burton. The Diversity Coalition announced the winners of their Martin Luther King, Jr. Writing Contest, in which over 175 students entered. They also named Director of Security **Ernest Watson, Jr.** the first annual Diversity Coalition Martin Luther King Day Honoree.

Published writer and fourth-generation gospel minister Franklin S. Hill III also made a special trip to SJC to speak to the day's celebrants. "A lot of people are informed, but that information does not transform them," he said. "King realized that until a person's heart has changed, nothing has changed. [He] brought Christian ethics to those with a little knowledge of them but had not put that knowledge into perspective."

The Saint Joseph's College chapter of Habitat For Humanity is used to extending their services throughout the United States. This summer, however, they'll find themselves on their first international venture. Habitat will begin their trip to Tanzania, Africa, on July 29th and stay until August 10th, roughly two weeks before the start of SJC's 2004-2005 fall semester. *Contact* met with Faculty Advisor Fred Berger to obtain more details.

With so many countries to choose from, what made Habitat settle on Africa?

Berger: It started a few years ago. I asked the students to set some goals for the future, and one of those goals was to provide money and resources for an international building project in Tanzania. The Jasper County Habitat For Humanity designated Tanzania as its international affiliate. SJC's Missionary Outreach Program assists with missionary work there. Assistant Professor of History Susan Chattin has been there several times and encouraged me to pursue student involvement in that area. It seemed to be the place to go.

How is preparing for this trip different from the ones made in the United States?

Berger: There have been more logistics to worry about on this international trip than simply van rentals, hotel rooms, and grocery bills. I have to make sure the students are up-to-date on State Department travel warnings and inoculations, have passports, and meet visa requirements – things we haven't had to do for a trip to, say, Texas. We're working with a travel agent who has a mission contract with major airlines, and it's been rewarding to see the flight costs remain reasonable.

What kind of response have you received from the campus community?

Berger: It's been overwhelming! A number of students have expressed an interest in going, some of whom have never been involved with Habitat before. One of our professors is teaching a Swahili class, and it's full of the students who plan to go on the trip. It's fascinating to watch them commit to projects like these.

Our alumni have also been very supportive. **Tim '60, Christopher '87, and Patrick Downey '96** of the Downey Family made a very generous contribution to our travel expenses, which makes it possible for each student to fly for free. The donation is very much appreciated by everyone.

Are houses in Africa similar to those in North America?

Berger: The houses that we'll be building in Tanzania will be very different from the ones we build here. In Africa, soil is taken from the area and mixed with concrete in order to form blocks to make walls. There will be no running water, and the houses will have corrugated metal roofs and pit toilets. They'll seem primitive to us, but for the people in need there, those houses will be a great step up in their standard of living.

For more information about Habitat's trip to Tanzania, contact Berger at 219-866-6118 or fredb@saintjoe.edu.

SJC's Habitat For Humanity Prepares to Add Africa to List of Travels



Look For SJC at a College Fair Near You!

* This is only a partial list of the college fairs SJC is participating in this spring. To obtain a complete list of college fairs or for more information, please contact **Sara (Reasoner) Solis '00** at 800-447-8781.

State	College Fair	Date	Time
IL	Bond-Fayette-Effingham Area College Fair (ICE)	3/25	6:30-8:00 p.m.
IL	Lake County Area College Fair (ICE)	3/25	6:00-8:30 p.m.
IL	St. Ignatius College Fair	3/30	7:00-8:30 p.m.
IL	Barrington High School College Night	4/12	7:00-9:00 p.m.
IL	Lyons Township High School College Night	4/14	7:00-9:00 p.m.
IL	Glenbrook Area College Night	4/15	6:30-8:45 p.m.
IL	Naperville Area College Fair (ICE)	4/19	7:00-9:00 p.m.
IL	Fox Valley Area College Fair (ICE)	4/20	7:00-9:00 p.m.
IN	IPS Community College Day	3/25	8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
IN	Cass County Career Expo	4/15	9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
IN	Greater Indianapolis North Side College Fair	4/20	7:00-8:30 p.m.
IN	Lowell High School College Fair	4/20	6:30-8:00 p.m.
IN	Northwest High School College/Career Day	4/28	8:00-11:10 a.m.
OH	NACAC-Cleveland	4/18	1:00-4:00 p.m.
MI	University Liggett School College Fair	4/06	6:30-8:30 p.m.
MO	St. Louis All Metro College Day	4/25	12:00-4:00 p.m.

42nd Annual Little 500

go-kart race

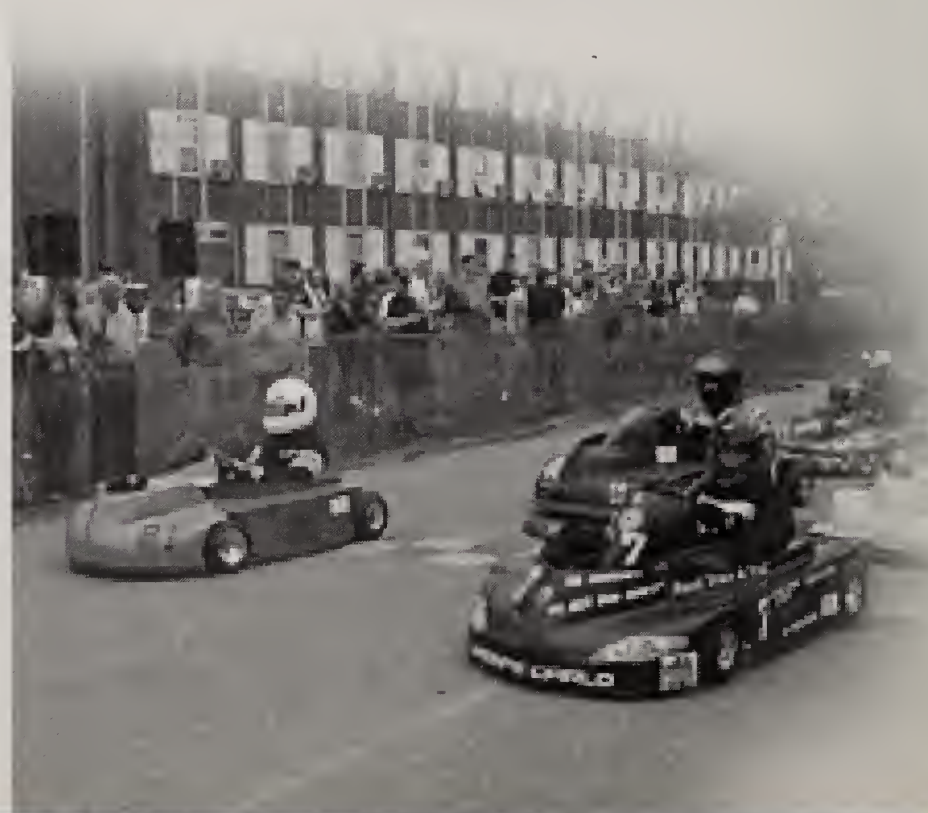
Saturday, April 24

Alumni race: 10:45 a.m.

Student race: 1:00 p.m.

Activities for the weekend include a rock-climbing wall and bungee run.

Those interested in driving in the alumni race can contact **Jon Messman '90** at 219-866-6113 or jcm@saintjoe.edu.



SJC Summer Programs 2004

CAMPUS NEWS

Basketball

Boys' Camp

When: June 20-23

Contact: Head Men's Basketball Coach

Linc Darner

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Girls' Camp

When: June 14-17

Contact: Assistant Women's Basketball Coach

Elaine Russell

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These camps are designed to improve each player's game and encourage them to have fun with the sport at the same time. Students will receive personalized instruction in the areas of free-throw shooting, passing, ball handling, and other fundamentals.

Communication

Broadcasting Camp

When: June 14-18

Contact: Camp Director Sally Nesselrode

219-866-6211 / sallyn@saintjoe.edu

www.saintjoe.edu/academics/communications/

SJC_Broadcasting_Camp.html

Those interested in a career in radio or television can learn how to: operate a radio station audio board, be a radio DJ and TV news anchor, digitally edit audio and video, write and produce radio commercials, and much more. Each student will receive a copy of his/her own work.



Spiritual Development

Christian Youth Expeditions (CYE)

Middle School Camp

When: July 10-13

High School Camp

When: July 14-18

Contact: CYE Student Coordinator Luke Hansen

219-866-6000 ext. 5355 / cye@saintjoe.edu

www.saintjoe.edu/cye

Staffed by SJC students, youth from diverse backgrounds will engage in small and large group gatherings, recreation time at Lake Banet, and opportunities to strengthen their Christian faith through team-building, skits, witness talks, journaling, and other activities.

☛ To learn about other summer activities taking place at SJC, contact Director of Summer Programs and Continuing Education Matt Pack at 219-866-6351 or mattpack@saintjoe.edu.

The Value of a Catholic College Education

Bruce Hicks '79 has two priorities: his family, which includes his wife and four children, and his faith, Catholicism. Given these priorities, it's easy to understand why he is so committed to Catholic education.

An Indianapolis resident and proud product of both a Catholic high school and college, Hicks serves on the board of directors and chairs two committees for Cardinal Ritter High School, where his two oldest children attend school. Only recently stepping down from his duties on SJC's Alumni Association Board of Directors, he volunteers his services every year at the College's annual Homecoming celebration. His wife, **Sue (Fritsche) Hicks '79**, serves on the administrative staff and Parent Teacher Association for St. Michael the Archangel Elementary School, where their two younger children are enrolled. Together, the husband and wife team spend large amounts of time assisting with school fundraisers and athletic events, as well as their local chapter of Catholic Youth Organization. Their children are also active in extra-curricular activities at their respective schools.

Today, despite an increase in enrollment three times higher than the national rate over the last 10 years, only a mere 15% of Catholic college-age students are enrolled in a Catholic college or university. The story of Bruce Hicks provides not only a positive message about Saint Joseph's College, but about the overall benefits of a Catholic college education.

Hicks wasn't born Catholic. He wasn't raised Catholic. But in 1972, as he entered the doors of St. Ignatius High School in Cleveland, Ohio, as a sophomore transfer student, he knew his new faith-based school would change his educational experience. "Until that point, receiving an education wasn't particularly a good time for me. I had attended Cleveland public schools all of my life – schools that were pretty intense. I always did well, but I was usually miserable," he explained. "Shortly after starting my first day at Ignatius, I was struck with the emphasis the school placed upon character, responsibility, and faith. Religious education helped me grow into a person with an appreciation for all of these attributes."

Therefore, when the time came to discuss plans for the future, he knew exactly what kind of college education he wanted. "I needed to find a college environment where the values I developed in high school would still be important," Hicks said. "My grades had improved and my SAT scores were high, so I received a number of offers from some good schools. But I was concerned about whether I'd get lost. My high school education was the beginning of becoming confident and happy in school. I couldn't risk giving up that feeling."

Enter Saint Joseph's College. While making his way through numerous viewbooks and brochures, Hicks was struck by SJC's emphasis on tradition and values.

"I felt the College focused more on what a student was supposed to get out of an education and less on merely emphasizing a selection of majors," he said. "It seemed to provide students with a tradition-rich, smaller setting where individual development was just as important, if not more important than, academics."

As a Puma, Hicks jumped into college life. He was a member of both the Marching and Pep Bands, Choir, Psychology Club, and Columbian Players (SJC's theatre organization). He also served his residence hall as a Resident Assistant for one semester and

that day discussing our opinions. The priest even spent considerable time as a devil's advocate, constructing an argument for atheism and agnosticism. He then discussed how his faith was formed. I was so impressed by the respect that the topic was given. At the time, I was naïve enough to believe that something was wrong with me when I questioned my belief in a higher power at all. I was energized by the demonstration that our intellectual curiosity and occasional doubts were not inconsistent with religious beliefs."

As Hicks's beliefs were influ-

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was elected as a Congress Organizational Senator during his senior year. However, his social calendar wasn't the only part of his life that flourished. "SJC had a profound affect on my beliefs," he said. "I remember a class discussion where another student broached the subject of atheism. He talked about how he and a friend were affected by the loss a companion. His friend lost faith and drifted away from church. The student, at least for awhile, also felt uncertain about his beliefs. I fully expected the priest who led the class to dismiss the matter with some religious cliché. However, we ended up spending the rest of

enced by his environment, so were his actions. He developed significant relationships with priests and professors on campus, and even met the woman who would eventually become his wife. He continued to hit the books. And sometimes, in times of trouble, he prayed. "During my sophomore year, I faced a serious academic crisis," he said. "I hit a brick wall in a very demanding course – Intermediate Accounting. Since I was doing well in my other courses, I couldn't figure out my problem since I seemed to understand the material. However, my

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test results were abysmal. I was crushed; I felt my future was being jeopardized. I remember to be thankful for today, personally and professionally. He is currently employed as Senior

fastfacts

- 52 percent of SJC students are Catholic.
- Campus Ministry is one of the fastest-growing programs on campus. Activities include soup kitchen trips, pro-life vigils, clothing drives, and spiritual retreats for students of all faiths.
- Social service organizations on campus include Habitat For Humanity, Bible Study, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Volunteer Corps, and the Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Society.
- During one recent semester, SJC students donated nearly 7,000 hours of community service.

several friends who found me wandering around campus one day and tried to console me. One upperclassman stayed with me awhile and suggested that we pray over it. At first, it seemed like a ridiculous suggestion, but we tried it, and it helped me make the decision to alter my plans and feel comfortable with my decision.” He added, “Looking back, I may have overreacted to the situation, but it sure didn’t feel that way at the time. The initial feeling of failure was crushing, and I’m glad I found a way to get through it.” By the end of his senior year, Hicks (and his soon-to-be wife, Sue) had become Catholic.

The education Hicks received as a young man has given him much

Editor for The Rough Notes Company, a company that produces educational and reference materials for the property and casualty insurance industry, including the nationally-known *Rough Notes Magazine*. He also belongs to the Society of Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriters, Research Committee for Central Indiana (which he also chairs), and National Diversity Taskforce. Despite his hectic schedule, he still makes time for his family and his faith.

While Hicks’s religious conversion isn’t typical of the average student at SJC, his character development is, for

Catholic and non-Catholic students alike. “I think the lasting effect of such an education is appreciation for the importance of other persons and respecting their positions and opinions,” he explained. “A Catholic college offers young people an environment where they are not expected to put aside their beliefs in order to gain intellectual maturity. Faith and learning are not mutually exclusive; they grow alongside each other. Schools like SJC also implant the seed of seeking meaning outside of oneself, moving from self-centeredness to serving others. That’s a lesson that is never forgotten and is never over.”

Sue (Fritsche) Hicks '79 and Bruce Hicks '79 in their last year at SJC



SJC Remembers

Rev. Donald Shea, C.PP.S.

Rev. Donald Shea, C.PP.S. passed away on January 18th at St. Francis Health Care Center in Green Springs, Ohio, where he was recuperating from a heart ailment. Shea spent 24 years at Saint Joseph's College as a faculty member for the History Department.

Shea was at Saint Joseph's for two years before he was ordained into the Missionaries of the Precious Blood. Afterwards, he completed his doctorate in History at Loyola University in Chicago and then resumed his teaching career at SJC. He spent the next 22 years in that capacity and was in time named Department Chair. During his tenure, he also served the College as Athletic Director and Coordinator of Student Affairs. Shea left SJC during the 1976-1977 academic year to assist with the Ford-Dole presidential campaign, and in 1977, he accepted an appointment by the Republican National Committee in Washington as its ethnic-religious liaison. At the time of his death, he was the Program Director at the Sorrowful Mother Shrine, sponsored by the C.PP.S., in Bellevue, Ohio.

"Fr. Shea was bright, perceptive, and an acute judge of character," said **Rev. Paul White, C.PP.S. '54**, who was both Shea's classmate in the seminary and his colleague at SJC. "Students looked forward to his unique teaching style, which was both exacting and entertaining. Fr. Shea was famous around campus for taking his students outside, next to a pond. While they watched, he would tear up a set of their papers and throw them into the pond, a powerful reminder to them that he expected only their best work."



Stang is currently on active duty as both a non-combatant soldier and Task Force Chaplain to Task Force Eagle in Bosnia. In 2001, he spent six months serving in the 101st Airborne in Kosovo (as pictured here).

Rev. Stang

Called to Duty

in Bosnia

At the beginning of January, **Rev. Dr. William Stang, C.PP.S. '72**, SJC Professor of Biology and part-time member of the United States National Army Guard, left SJC at the time of this printing to begin training in southern Indiana for active duty in Bosnia, where he will serve as a non-combatant soldier and Task Force Chaplain to Task Force Eagle. His primary duty will be to support the faith expression of each soldier, providing religious support for soldiers of all faiths by seeking out appropriate spiritual leaders for varying practices. He will advise the commanding officers on religious and moralistic ideals and work with suppliers to assure the proper dietary needs of each religion are met, meet with soldiers for personal counseling, and hold Masses for groups who wish to pray during down time.

His estimated time of return to the United States is uncertain. "In the past, I've been put on a six-month rotation, but in light of recent events, everything is up in the air," Stang said. "I may come home earlier than I think or I may stay later. We'll see what happens."

Story written for SJC by Publications and Media Relations Intern Rebecca Scherer '05.

Thank You! Thank

	SJC RAISED	CATEGORY CAP	LILLY MATCH
Alumni	\$2,728,756	\$2,750,000	\$2,728,756
Parents/Students	\$287,118	\$250,000	\$250,000
Faculty/Staff	\$198,251	\$250,000	\$198,251
Friends	\$301,513	\$250,000	\$250,000
TOTAL:	\$3,515,638	\$3,500,000	\$3,427,007

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SJC Raises Over \$3.4 Million for the Lilly Initiative

This spring, SJC has more than 3.4 million reasons to celebrate. The Lilly numbers are in and we have much for which to be thankful. From June 1, 2002 – December 31, 2003, SJC raised \$3,427,007 in matchable funds out of a possible \$3.5 million from Lilly Endowment.

Lilly Endowment's *Special Initiative to Strengthen Philanthropy for Indiana Higher Education Institutions* was designed to encourage contributions from alumni, employees, students, parents, and friends. To this end, Lilly Endowment matched, dollar-for-dollar, gifts made during the 19 months prior to December 31, 2003. Saint Joseph's College took this challenge to heart and worked hard to not only meet the fundraising challenge but to also meet the ultimate goal – strengthen involvement from those who have an interest in the mission of Saint Joseph's College.

The financial outcome was a tremendous success. The College raised **\$3,515,638** during this period, of which **\$3,427,007** was matchable. (The graph on the neighboring page details the breakdown by constituency.)

The other tremendous news is the increase seen in donor participation rates during the Lilly Initiative. The alumni donor participation rate was 22% at the start of the challenge and climbed to **28.4%** by December 31, 2003. This is the highest rate the College has seen in recent years. The faculty and staff of SJC also saw the tremendous opportunity and supported the College at an unprecedented rate of **45%**.

The trustees, administration, faculty, and staff are indebted to the many people who made a gift. As Saint Joseph's College looks to the future, it is comforting to know that there are so many people who believe in the mission of SJC – *preparing men and women to lead successful professional and personal lives consistent with Gospel values.*



of the Lilly Initiative”

2004 SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE SPRING SCHEDULES

BASEBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
3/17	* Lewis University (2)	1:00 p.m.
3/18	Valparaiso University	2:00 p.m.
3/20	* Kentucky Wesleyan College (2)	12:00 p.m.
3/21	* Kentucky Wesleyan College (2)	12:00 p.m.
3/24	* University of Indianapolis (2)	1:00 p.m.
3/27	* Northern Kentucky University (2)	12:00 p.m.
3/28	* Northern Kentucky University (2)	12:00 p.m.
3/31	* University of Wisconsin - Parkside (2)	1:00 p.m.
4/9	* Bellarmine University (2)	12:00 p.m.
4/10	* Bellarmine University (2)	12:00 p.m.
4/13	Eastern Illinois University	3:00 p.m.
4/14	* Lewis University (2)	1:00 p.m.
4/17	* Quincy University (2)	12:00 p.m.
4/18	* Quincy University (2)	12:00 p.m.
4/21	* University of Indianapolis (2)	1:00 p.m.
4/24	* University of Southern Indiana (2)	12:00 p.m.
4/25	* University of Southern Indiana (2)	12:00 p.m.
4/28	* University of Wisconsin - Parkside (2)	1:00 p.m.
5/1	* University of Missouri - St. Louis (2)	12:00 p.m.
5/2	* University of Missouri - St. Louis (2)	12:00 p.m.

SOFTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
3/17	Bethel College (2)	3:00 p.m.
3/20	* Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville	12:00 p.m.
3/21	* University of Missouri - St. Louis (2)	12:00 p.m.
3/23	University of St. Francis - Illinois (2)	5:00 p.m.
3/25	University of St. Francis - Indiana (2)	3:00 p.m.
3/26-28	Great Lakes Regional Showdown	TBA
3/31	Lewis University (2)	3:00 p.m.
4/3	* Kentucky Wesleyan College (2)	12:00 p.m.
4/4	* University of Southern Indiana	12:00 p.m.
4/6	Indiana Institute of Technology	3:00 p.m.
4/9	* Lewis University (2)	3:00 p.m.
4/10	* University of Wisconsin - Parkside (2)	12:00 p.m.
4/14	Marian College (2)	3:00 p.m.
4/16	Taylor University (2)	3:00 p.m.
4/18	* Quincy University (2)	12:00 p.m.
4/20	Huntington College (2)	3:00 p.m.
4/22	St. Xavier University (2)	3:00 p.m.
4/24	* Northern Kentucky University (2)	12:00 p.m.
4/25	* Bellarmino University (2)	12:00 p.m.

OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
3/27	Gene and Rose Edmonds Classic	10:00 a.m.
4/2-3	Eastern Illinois University	TBA
4/10	Little State Championships	TBA
4/17	Taylor University	TBA
4/24	Puma Invitational	10:00 a.m.
5/1	Northwood University	TBA
5/13-14	* GLVC Championships	TBA

MEN'S GOLF

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
3/20-21	District IV Tournament <i>at Falls of the Rough, Ky.</i>	TBA
3/28	University of Wisconsin - Parkside Tournament	TBA
4/6	University of Indianapolis Tournament	TBA
4/12-13	* GLVC Tournament	TBA
4/18-19	District IV Tournament <i>at Columbus, Indiana</i>	TBA

MEN'S TENNIS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
3/21	Lake Forest College	11:00 a.m.
3/21	Aurora University	3:00 p.m.
3/23	* Lewis University	3:30 p.m.
3/26	* Northern Kentucky University	3:00 p.m.
3/27	* University of Indianapolis	9:00 a.m.
4/2	* University of Southern Indiana	3:00 p.m.
4/3	Indiana University-Southeast	1:00 p.m.
4/6	University of Saint Francis - Illinois	3:30 p.m.
4/8	* Quincy University	3:00 p.m.
4/9	* Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville	9:00 a.m.
4/9	* University of Missouri - St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
4/13	Bethel College	TBA

(2) indicates a double-header

Bold type indicates home games

* indicates a GLVC contest

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Clark Teuscher '00 at 219-866-6141 or log on to www.saintjoe.edu/athletics.

SPORTS BRIEFS

FOUR NEW FOOTBALL COACHES ADDED TO STAFF

In recent months, the Saint Joseph's College football program has welcomed four new coaches, including new head coach Tim Lester, to the staff.

Before coming to SJC, Lester had been the offensive coordinator at Elmhurst College for the past two seasons. He is a graduate of Western Michigan University, where he started as quarterback and broke numerous school and Mid-American Conference passing records. He also played professionally in the Arena Football League and the XFL.

Since his hiring in late December, Lester has added assistant offensive coordinator and special teams coordinator Jake Moreland, defensive coordinator Lou Esposito, and defensive backs coach Matt St. Germain.

Moreland was a teammate of Lester's at Western Michigan and coached tight ends and tackles last season at Elmhurst. He was a starter at tight end and caught more passes (143) than anyone at that position in the school's history. He went on to spend two seasons in the National Football League with the New York Jets and Cleveland Browns.

Esposito comes to SJC after a season as the co-defensive and special teams coordinator of the Memphis Xplorers of the Arena2 Football League. He also coached both the offensive and defensive line, as well as linebackers and fullbacks. He played for the Xplorers in 2001-2002, playing both sides of the line.

St. Germain played his collegiate ball at the University of Iowa, where he played both linebacker and defensive end. Since graduating in 2001, he had been at Western Illinois University for three seasons. He was assistant linebackers coach in 2001 and assistant defensive backs coach the past two seasons. In the past two years, Western was 20-6 and made the NCAA Division I-AA quarterfinals both years.



Holden Breaks GLVC Assist Record

Puma senior men's basketball player Jamie Holden is continuing to rewrite the assist records at SJC, breaking the school career mark with his first assist of the season November 15th at Drury University. He recently recorded his 100th assist of the 2003-04 season, becoming the first player at SJC to reach that plateau each of his four years.

Holden also added the Great Lakes Valley Conference career assist mark to his record collection this season. He came into the season needing to average five assists per game in conference play to break the record of 483, which only counts games between conference opponents. He broke the record January 31st in an 83-80 home victory over Southern Indiana.

He came into the season already holding SJC's single-season and single-game assist records, as well as the career and single-game records for steals.



Where Is He Now?

Rev. Phil Gilbert, C.P.P.S. '52

With more than 50 years of service under his belt, **Rev. Phil Gilbert, C.P.P.S. '52** has one of the longest-running relationships with Saint Joseph's College. It began when he came to SJC in the late 1940's to study Mathematics. Once here, he became interested in ministry. "I was influenced very positively by the many fathers, brothers, and seminarians I came in contact with," he said. "They did many good works for the Lord, and I didn't think it was inappropriate for me to be involved in similar works."

After graduating in 1952, Gilbert entered the seminarian program at St. Charles Seminary in Carthagen, Ohio, and was ordained into the Society of the Precious Blood in 1960. His first assignment was teaching in the Mathematics Department at SJC. He left for a brief time to earn his master's degree at the University of Illinois and returned to campus in 1964, and he's been teaching ever since.

In addition to his teaching duties, Gilbert was an Assistant to the Dean of Men (a position currently known as the Dean of Students) for a short time. "I was something of a disciplinarian, and I think the students saw me and my small stature as a Napoleon-like figure," he said. He has served on the Student Life Committee as Chair and was also active on the Athletic Committee and Academic Cabinet. "The Academic Cabinet was almost by default, since I was the Chair of the Mathematics Department and Coordinator of the Math and Science Division," he explained.

Gilbert is still teaching within the Mathematics Department and is proud of the curriculum's progression. "For a school of our size, we have very up-to-date technology, and we have a lot to offer for those wanting to improve their quantitative skills," he said. "We also have an outstanding group of people who do excellent work."

Where Are They Now? notes the current activities of favorite faculty, staff, and friends of the College of years past; Before They Were Pumas profiles SJC graduates, providing glimpses into their pasts and updates on what they are doing today. If you would like to recommend that someone be featured in either piece, please contact Publications and Media Relations Director Breain Ma'Ayteh '02 at 219-866-6177 or breain@saintjoe.edu.

Before They Were Pumas



Before



Today

Name:

Molly (Chalik) Ray '00

A unique or funny story about you around the time the photo was taken:

When my younger sister, Sarah Chalik '05, and I were kids, we weren't the greatest of friends as we are now. One Sunday morning, when I was five years old and she was two, we were getting ready for church when she began chasing me for my favorite doll which was, ironically, named Sarah. As the two of us ran shrieking from one end of the house to the other, we made our way into the living room, where I tripped and ran headfirst into the coffee table. I received my first set of stitches that day, right across the middle of my forehead. Needless to say, we never made it to church that morning.

High school, city, state:

Maria High School
Chicago, Illinois

Degree:

Elementary Education

What you're doing now:

After graduation from SJC, my boyfriend of three years, **Kevin Ray '98**, and I were married that October and moved to Hobart, Indiana. While Kevin was working as an Accountant for Nuveen Investments in Chicago, I began teaching pre-school in the Portage Public School System. This was truly a dream job for me, as our pre-school program was designed to give at-risk children a jump start before they entered kindergarten. We made home visits to the parents every other week, went on frequent field trips, and organized a variety of hands-on and family activities. Right now, my career is on hold so that I can be a full-time mother to our son, KJ, who's just a year and a half old. My toddler and I spend our days playing, dancing, and reading stories together. This is both the most challenging and rewarding "job" I've ever had.

John Bequette, Assistant Professor of Religion, is proud to announce that his book *Christian Humanism: Creation, Redemption, and Reintegration* was published by University Press of America and released this February. For information on how to order Bequette's book, contact him via e-mail at bequette@saintjoe.edu.

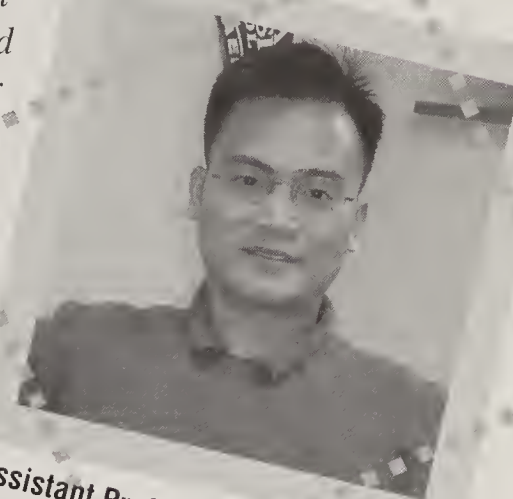
Robert Brodman, Associate Professor of Biology and Environmental Science, worked in conjunction with the Chicago Wilderness Conservation Coalition (CWCC) and the Habitat Project of the Audubon-Chicago Region to hold the second annual volunteer training workshop on February 9th. Volunteers were trained to identify, monitor and record species of amphibians living within the Jasper-Pulaski Fish & Wildlife Area (Jasper County) and Kankakee Sands (Newton County) nature preserves.

David DeLauro '00, Computer Systems Analyst and Computer Science Faculty Lecturer, spent two weeks in Japan this January, visiting such places as Kinkaku-ji (The Golden Pavilion), Nijo Castle, and Todaiji Temple, which holds the Daibutsu (Big Buddha). He will present a lecture for Core Three about his experiences this fall.

John Egan, Professor of Music, will play the Brahms Cello Sonata in E minor with Margot Marlatt (principal cellist for the Lafayette Symphony Orchestra and guest cellist for both the Fort Wayne and Indianapolis Symphony Orchestras) as part of the Tippecanoe Chamber Music Society Concert Series at Duncan Hall in Lafayette, Indiana, on Sunday, April 18, at 4:00 p.m. Egan and his wife, Professor of Music Anne-Marie Egan, have performed in this series several times.

Neal Haskell, Associate Professor of Biology, appeared on The History Channel's *Dead Reckoning*, a series that examines forensic technology to see how scientific crime techniques have solved difficult cases. The episode, titled "Buttons and Bugs," premiered on November 26th and explored how Haskell, the only full-time forensic entomologist in the United States, used a button, Polaroid camera, and science to solve a murder.

Trent Nguyen, Assistant Professor of Social Work, recently signed two book contracts with Lexington Books: one to publish *Domestic Violence Among Asian American Communities: Implications For Practice and Social Policy* in August and another for *Many Paths, One Purpose: Career Choices for Human Services and Social Work Majors* out in December. Also, his article "Vietnamese Women and Domestic Violence: A Qualitative Study" was accepted for publication by *The Qualitative Report*, and "Immigrant Asian Youth and Cultural-Identity Challenges: Implications for Pastoral Counseling Practice," was accepted by *The Journal of Pastoral Care & Counseling*. Publication dates for Nguyen's articles are not available at this time.



Assistant Professor of Social Work
Trent Nguyen

Gerald Powell, Assistant Professor of Communication, has a forthcoming book this spring from the University Press of America, *A Rhetoric of Symbolic Identity: An Intertextual Analysis of Spike Lee's X and Bamboozled*. He was also appointed Assistant Editor of Philosophy, Rhetoric, and Semiotics for their upcoming publication *The Annual*. On February 18th, he gave a presentation in Houston, Texas, titled, "An Inquiry into Symbolic Syntax and Composition of Black Identity in Spike Lee's Bamboozled," and his book *Communication: An Emic Perspective* is currently under review by Lexington Press.

Ilicia Sprey, Assistant Professor of History, spent December 2003 as a scholar-in-residence in Indonesia to present a series of public lectures to university students and faculty. Presenting lectures on global feminism, the historical perspective on women, U.S. feminism of the past and present, and the comparative context of women, society and religion, Sprey also offered her services as a critic by commenting on the master's theses of various students in the American Studies program. Students provided her with their defenses while she presented them with suggestions for change or room for improvement.



Assistant Professor of History
Ilicia Sprey

Joseph Leugers '41 and his wife Helen have moved into a retirement home, Oakwood Village, in OH. They lived in their previous home for 52 years.

Roy Meyer '56 is retired from North American Philips and living in Florida.

Lawrence Stark '57 returned on 12/13/03 from his fifth trip to Laos in the past two and a half years, looking for information on American POWs that were left behind after the Vietnam War. He feels he's obtained good results, and his sixth trip is planned for March 2004.

James McCauley '61 is working as the Chief Scientist in Materials in the U.S. Army's research laboratory after a stint as Dean of New York State College of Ceramics at Alfred University.

David Etwiler '62 retired as Professor Emeritus from University of Wisconsin after 31 years of teaching. He is enjoying traveling so far to Lithuania, Germany, France, England, Key West, and Mexico.

Charles Froelich '65 retired in February 2003 after 28 years of service as a Computer Programmer/Analyst for the U.S. Federal Government.

Frank LeMay '65 retired in 2001 as Chairman of the Department of Mathematics for Wickliffe City Schools, in Wickliffe, OH. He is a part-time Instructor of Mathematics at Lakeland Community College in Kirtland, OH.

Joseph Shimala '65 retired in October 2001 from a career in accounting, working as a Corporate Controller for two large contractors. He and his wife of 37 years, Cheryl, spend their time enjoying three grandsons during the spring and summer months. The remainder of the year is spent in Florida in a retirement community, where he plays golf and softball.

Joseph Haburjak '65 spent two great years at SJC but graduated from Washington University in St. Louis and Harvard Business School. His wife, Karen, just retired early, but he retains his retirement investment planning practice in Gastonia, NC. Haburjak's been voted "top money manager" by his broker/dealer for each of the last 15 years. The couple resides on Lake Wylie, SC, spend summers at their mountain home in Blowing Rock, NC, and travel extensively.

Phillip Datka '67 was honored with a ceremony by Germantown High School in Germantown, WI, on August 29, 2003 at which time the Germantown's football field was renamed Datka Stadium and dedicated to him in his honor. He has coached for 35 years with a 221-116 record.

Thomas Stephan '68 retired from Inland Steel Company in 2001 after 35 years of service. He now works as a teacher's assistant and a substitute teacher at Washington Junior High School in Naperville, IL, and loves it.

John "Jack" Apice '69 retired on January 3, 2004, after 35 years with the IRS. He also recently celebrated his 33rd wedding anniversary with his wife, Rosalie.

Roger Christ '71 was appointed Senior Counsel for the Office of General Counsel of Nationwide Mutual Insurance Companies.

Judith (Hass) Dillman '74 graduated in May 2003 from St. Francis Seminary in Milwaukee, WI, with a Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies. She is working as Pastoral Associate/Director of Christian Formation at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in West Allis, WI.

John Kirsits '76 is currently employed as Manager of Financial Accounting and Reporting for Loyola University Medical Center in Maywood, IL. He is also actively involved in coaching his son and daughter's grade school basketball team. He resides in Oak Lawn, IL, with his wife, Deb, and children Julie and David.

Mark Gidley '78 is serving in his 15th year as a member of the Marshall County Indiana Board of Health and is serving in his second elected term as a member and current Vice President of the Plymouth Community Schools' Board of Trustees. His son, Matthew, graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in May 2003 and his daughter, Shannon, will be attending Saint Joseph's College in fall 2004.

Michael Marciniak '81 retired as a Lieutenant Colonel from the U.S. Air Force after 22 years of service. He stayed on as an Assistant Professor of Engineering Physics at the Air Force Institute of Technology, the Air Force's graduate school, in Dayton, OH, as a civilian employee.

Kevin '84 and Colleen (Brennan) Link '84 relocated from Mill Creek, WA, to Zionsville, IN, with

their three sons. Kevin was named Assistant Vice President/Commercial Business Manager for Safeco Business Insurance in Indianapolis, IN.

Michael Edwards '85 recently founded Revenue Cycle Solutions, Inc., which provides consulting services to hospitals and health systems, after working with Siemens to start up The Heart Center of Indiana, a 60-bed cardiovascular specialty hospital in Indianapolis, IN.

James Boswell '85 coached the Indianapolis Cardinal Ritter High School football team to a 28-0 victory to win their Class 1A State Championship.

John Mueller '89 has been starring in the musical *Rainman - The Musical*, based on the movie *Rainman*, at Drury Lane Theater in Oak Brook, IL. He is also lead guitarist/vocalist for the band Squid Holler, touring locally in Northwest Indiana.

John Waters '91 received simultaneous degrees, a juris doctorate from the Brooklyn School of Law and a master's degree in Urban Planning from Hunter College. He is now working for a private developer in New York after working for the city's Office of Planning and Preservation.

Andrew Evens, D.O., M.S. '91 completed his Hematology/Oncology Fellowship from Northwestern University in Evanston, IL. He is an Instructor of Medicine at the Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine and Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center in Chicago, IL. His specialties are non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease, and soft tissue and bone sarcoma.

Jason Miskus '94 is the Vice President of Sales and Marketing for Seaway Supply Company in Melrose Park, IL. **Lynn (Robinson) Miskus '93** is the Vice President of East Side Savings Bank in Chicago.

Michael Keiser '96 and Mary Beth Keiser are expecting the birth of their first child on 6/23/04.

Cindy (Lane) Aubuchon '96 is teaching Spanish and English for the seventh year at McCutcheon High School in Lafayette, IN, where she is the Foreign Language Department Head. She is also working on her master's degree in English Education at Purdue University in Lafayette and should

complete it by December 2004. She is one of several contributing authors for a book published in November 2003 by the National Council for Teachers of English, called *But Will it Work with Real Students?: Scenarios for Teaching Secondary English Language Arts*. Three of her current students have recently signed letters of intent to play baseball at SJC next year.

Miranda Shaw '97 received a master's degree in Education on December 13, 2003, with a major in School Counseling.

Peggy McLeish '98 is a Communications Specialist for the Indiana Senate Minority Caucus and has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Legislative Information and Communications Staff Section (LINCS) of the National Conference of State Legislatures. LINCS is the professional organization of state government public information specialists. It is a network of legislative employees who are involved in educating the public about legislators and legislative activities, media relations, and outreach efforts pertaining to specific policy issues.

Eric Nisbeth '98 recently accepted a position with ReMax Real Estate in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Heidi Jugovic '98 was named Indiana Middle School Counselor of the Year by the Indiana Counseling Association. Jugovic is the Guidance Counselor at Rensselaer Central Middle School in Rensselaer, IN.

Tim James '99 and his wife, Lisa, live in Hobart, IN, and have four children (future Pumas). Tim is currently working on his master's degree in Education and hopes to be an administrator. Lisa works at St. Jude House as a Client Assistant.

Douglas Koleszar '00 is the Band Director at Harrison High School in West Lafayette, IN.

Amanda Goins '01 is a chiropractic student at the National University of Health Sciences in Illinois.

Karen Johnson '01 is an Auditor for Super 8 Motel in Clinton, IA. She was recently selected as one of eight people throughout the country to participate in a Management Development Program hosted by Humphrey Hospitality Management, Inc., a leading real estate investment trust. It is an extensive six-month-long program that will send her to

Maryland and Nebraska, working and training with top experts in the company and focusing on subjects such as performance and risk management, sales and marketing, and accounting and operations.

Aimee (Rogers) Clark '02 is a Preschool Teacher at Monnett Elementary School in Rensselaer, IN.

Amber Stuckey '02 was promoted to Family Case Manager for Child Protective Services in Indiana. After child abuse or neglect cases are substantiated, she works with the family and juvenile court system until the child is no longer in need of services. She thinks she would never have gotten where she is if it were not for wonderful teachers such as Cindy Snyder and Rick Price.

Matthew Carpenter '02 is currently working as Rental Manager of Soeren's Ford in Brookfield, WI.

Leticia Mitchell, R.N. '03 joined the faculty of St. Elizabeth School of Nursing in August 2003.

Nicholas Schafer '03 recently committed to 10 months of service with AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC). Officially inducted into this national community-service-based program on October 24, 2003, he had already dedicated three months to giving back to various communities.

ENGAGEMENTS

Tracie Barton '95 to Daniel Barrett. A July 10, 2004 wedding is planned.

Sara Morgan '97 to Mark Durham. A July 3, 2004 wedding is planned at Saint Joseph's College.

Jeff Proctor '97 to Shannon Balzer. An August 13, 2004 wedding is planned.

Miranda Shaw '97 to Joshua Pitts. An October 9, 2004 wedding is planned.

Ben Waldron '98 to Christina Davies. A September 18, 2004 wedding is planned.

Ryan Gandurski '99 to Jamie Farkasch. An October 9, 2004 wedding is planned.

Dave Drzonek '99 to Laura Grasso. A July 10, 2004 wedding is planned with **Jeff Capadona '00** as best man. Groomsmen will include **Jame Holt '97**, **Steve Baranowski '99**, **Mike Kashirsky '99**, and **Jason Becker '00**.

Elizabeth Decker '99 to Chris Martin. A September 25, 2004 wedding in Indianapolis, IN, is planned.

Sarah Buelo '01 to **Paul Kubon '01**. A July 17, 2004 wedding is planned.

Derek Dabrowiak '01 to Tracy Finney. An October 9, 2004 wedding is planned in South Bend, IN. **Jeffrey Kirch, C.P.P.S. '98** will officiate, and **Phil Schroeder '01** will be a groomsman.

Hannah Pace '02 to Ben Brasher. A September 4, 2004 wedding in Evansville, IN, is planned. **Julianne Adams '03** will be the maid of honor and **Bridget Newman '04** will be a bridesmaid. **Shawn Delahanty '01** and **Mel McGuiggan '02** will be ushers.

Katherine Medvescek '03 to **Nick Masterson '03**. A June 2005 wedding is planned.

MARRIAGES

Denise Dohr '93 to Kevin Call. 11/9/02.

Kendra (Latta) Berenda '93 to Charles Illingworth. 1/24/04.

Art Carrison '96 to Michelle Brumond. 7/26/03 in Chicago. **Dave Goes '96**, **John Fitzgibbon '96**, **Mike Olson '96**, **Andrew D'Amore '97** and **Steve Nowak '98** were in the wedding. **Chris Bystriansky '96** was in attendance.

Joseph Vorrier III '98 to **Christine Bonnema '01**, 10/18/03. **Annie Campbell '00** was a bridesmaid and **Jason Grzegorek '97** was a groomsman. The ceremony was at Saint Joseph's Chapel with **Rev. Tim McFarland, C.P.P.S. '78** presiding.

Daniel Koleszar '99 to **Stacey Cunningham '01**, 10/25/03.

Anne LaCure '99 to Dustin Scott. 11/15/03.

Stacey DeHaven '00 to Fred Rogers. 9/21/02.

Lisa Kanouse '00 to **John Sut II**, 6/13/03.

Michelle Smith '01 to David Khalouf. 7/12/03. **Karen Greaney '01** was a bridesmaid. **Bob Spychalski '01**, **Don Shanahan '01**, and **Constance Alvarado '01** were all in attendance.

Aimee Rogers '02 to Charles Clark, Jr., 8/2/03.

BIRTHS

Frances Rose Clancy to **David '86** and Yvonne Clancy. 7/28/03. She joins her brother, Ryan (2).

Ethan Geier Lax to **Tim '87** and **Suzy (Post) Lax '87**, 11/14/03. He joined his brothers, Dylan (11) and Isaac (9), his sister, Sierra (5).

Mariel Brigid Pryor to Matthew and **Margaret (Geraghty) Pryor '88**, 10/14/03. She joins big sister Madeline (3).

Nathan Michael Wesley to **Mike '88** and **Ann (Messman) Wesley '91**, 9/13/03.

Ryan Philip Mueller to **John '89** and Julie Ann Mueller. 12/12/03.

Twins Abigail Kathleen and Thomas McNary Miller to Dave and **Melissa (Himes) Miller '90**, 12/4/03.

Kathryn Rebecca Diblik to Tony Diblik and **Judy Dever '90**, 11/25/03.

Luke Robert Stephens to Eric and **Mary (Barga) Stephens '93**, 9/18/03.

Jacob Leo Magnon to Phillip and **Tanya (Davis) Magnon '93**, 11/11/03. He joins his big sister, Lauren (2 1/2).

Carmen Estela Badell to **Joseph '95** and Ana Badell. 11/7/03.

Patrick Joseph Swanson to **Michael '96** and **Kim (Chrastowski) Swanson '96**, 8/26/03.

Andrew Joseph Eleff to Joseph and **Maureen (Connor) Eleff '97**, 9/23/03.

Aaron Patrick Merritt to Douglas and **Ann (Skrzeszewski) Merritt '97**, 10/6/03.

Owen Robert Engels to Nate and **Karey (Klott) Engels '97**, 12/1/03.

Peyton Joseph Hemmelgarn to **Joseph '98** and Penny Hemmelgarn. 1/24/02.

Gavin William Zolvinski to Adam and **Julie (Lanoue) Zolvinski '98**, 9/8/03.

Karina Faith James to **Tim '99** and Lisa James. 11/20/03.

Margaret Josephine Andrews to **Shannon '99** and **Amanda (Munson) Andrews '00**, 6/7/03.

Luke Paul Lawman to Dan and **Mary (Fortman) Lawman '00**, 12/13/03.

Patrick Franklin Cici to Joseph and **Shannon (Kline) Cici '00**, 6/6/03.

Ethan Michael Miller to **Jason '00** and **Stephanie (Bowers) Miller '01**, 6/9/03.

Ryan Christopher Block to **Lisa Block '03**, 1/21/03. Proud aunt and uncle are **Amy Block '01** and **Bob Block '05**.

DEATHS

William E. Callahan '39, 8/02.

Reverend William M. Donohoe, C.P.P.S. '44 (SJC Academy), 1/24/04.

James G. Frommeyer '46, 4/22/03.

John L. Callahan '47, 11/25/03.

Edward Nowak '50, 8/11/03.

George Byerwalter '50, 10/23/03, father of **Barbara (Byerwalter) Ryan '75**, **Jean (Byerwalter) Simcoe '76** and the late **Nancy (Byerwalter) McHugh '78**.

Thomas Fedewa '50, 9/25/02.

Samuel Governale, M.D. '55, 5/31/03.

Frank P. Loftus '57, 12/15/01.

Donald R. Gridley '57, 7/15/99, father of **Daniel Gridley '83**.

Rev. John Petuskey '64, 11/8/03.

Joseph A. LePenske '65, 12/25/03.

David P. Musto '68, 8/26/02.

Margaret "Margie" Wohler '77, 11/4/03, wife of **Ron "Buzz" Sylvester '75**.

Harold "Hardy" Bush, III '76, 6/3/03, husband of **Karen (Johnston) Bush '74**.

Barbara Liggett '76, 10/12/03.

Jane Stiller '81, 1/9/02.

David "Jeff" Verdeyen '87, date unknown.

Donald Steineman '89, 12/6/03.

Pat Steinkamp, 11/3/03, mother of **John R. Steinkamp, Jr. '81**.

Rev. Donald F. Shea, C.P.P.S., 1/18/04. Fellow and former faculty; taught at SJC for 24 year.

Nicholas Christopher Irons, born into Heaven on 1/5/04. Infant son died before birth to **Chris '95** and **Cheri (Bowsher) Irons '95**.

CORRECTION

On page 14 of the winter issue of *Contact*, Jack Sensenbrenner was mistakenly identified as **Jack Mersurvey '63**. The *Contact* staff apologizes to both men for the error.

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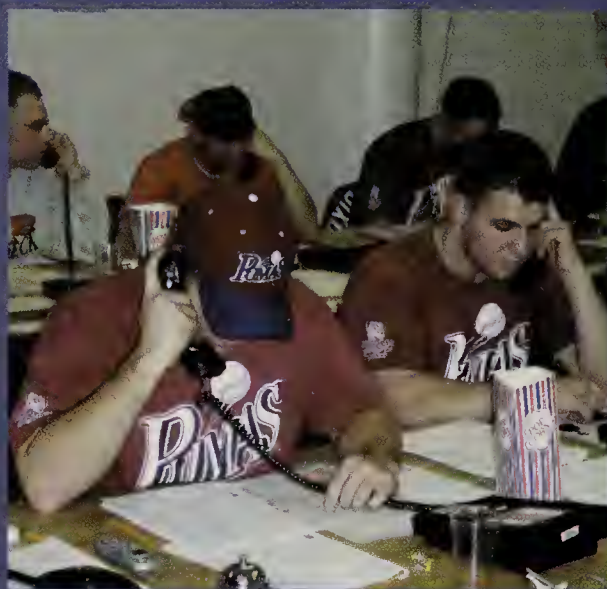
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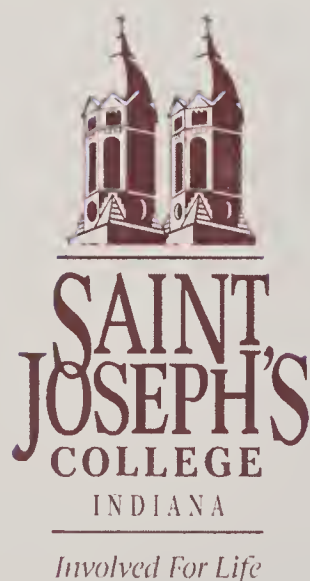
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